दिल्ली पुलिस द्वारा भिखारी उन्मूलन अभियान

4724. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह: क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या दिल्ली पुलिस ने राजधानी दिल्ली के विभिन्न स्थानों में फैले भिखारियों के विरुद्ध कोई अभियान शुरू किया है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में उसे किस प्रकार की सफलता प्राप्त हुई है और भिखारी उन्मूलन अभियान किस हद तक सफल रहा है ?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० एम० सईद): (क) और (ख) जी हां, श्रीमान। दिल्ली पुलिस ने सूचित किया है कि अन्य बातों के साथ-साथ यह पता लगाने के लिए कि भीख मांगने के उद्देश्य से इन बालकों का उपयोग करने वाला कोई गिरोह तो काम नहीं कर रहा है; दिल्ली के विभिन्न भागों में बाल भिखारियों के खिलाफ एक विशेष महीने भर तक चलने वाला अभियान 1-4-94 से शुरू किया गया है। अब तक 540 बाल भिखारियों से पूछताछ की जा चुकी है और उनके खिलाफ "किशोर न्याय अधिनियम" की धारा 13 के अधीन कार्रवाई की गई है।

Demands of CRPF Jawans

4725. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK : Will the Minis.er of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is fact that the services of 108 Jawans of C.R.P.F. stationed at Rampur, Uttar Pradesh have been terminated as they were demanding conversion of their ad hoc jobs into permanent ones, so that they may be at par with the rest of Battalion recruits;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) what action Government propose to take to make their jobs permanent ?

THE MINISTER O FSTATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) and (b) Consequent on conversion of Aux. Bns into regular Bns. of CRPF, services of Aux. Bn. personnel, who have been found fit, have been regularised. However the services of 114 personnel of 124 Aux. Bn., CRPF, stationed at Rampur, Uttar Pradesh, were terminated on conversion of this Bn. as a regular Bn. of CRPF, because 105 of then were found medically unfit and 8 of them were found unsuitable for regular appointment due to indiscipline and one had sought voluntary discharge.

(c) Does not arise.

Indo-Canadian Joint Resolution regarding Right to Information

4726. SHRI S. AUSTIN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a Conference organised recently jointly by Indian and Canadian organisations in New Delhi has passed a resolution for including the Right to information as one of the Fundamental Rights ;

(b) the names of the countries of the world which have included the Right to information as a Fundamental Right ;

(c) whether there is any proposal to bring forward a legislation in the matter of providing Right to Information ;

(d) if so, the details thereof ; and

(e) by when it is likely to be introduced ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) and (b) No such information is available with the Government.

(c) to (e) Some suggestions/recommendations for amending the Official Secrets Act, 1923 have been under consideration for some time. As the matter is both complex and sensitive, the issues involved require careful and thorough analysis. It is, therefore, not possible to furnish the details and the exact time frame for final decisions being taken in the matter. In

the meantime, in order to achieve the objective of openness and transparency in Government functioning, instructions have been issued by the Union Home Ministry to all the Central Ministries/Departments for taking effective steps towards this objective which includes, inter-alia, further details being furnished in replies to parliament Questions, revamping of public relations cells in Ministries/Departments which deal with public enquiries/complaints, provision of more information in annual reports, institution of effective mechanism for replying to communications received from the public etc.

Supreme Court direction to review TADA cases

4727. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that recently Supreme Court of India directed the Central and State Governments to review all TADA cases ;

(b) if so, what progress has so far been made in this regard in each of the States and Union Territories with details of TADA cases reviewed by each of them; and

(c) how many TADA detenues were released after the review in the States and Union Territories ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The question of setting up of Review Committees as a part of over all exercise to implement effectively the observations/suggestions contained in the Supreme Court judgment is under consideration of the Government.

ISI ACTIVITIES IN THE STATE OF BIHAR

4728. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the activities of ISI of Pakistan are rising in the State of Bihar particularly on Indo-Nepal borders of the State ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ; and

(c) what action Government propose to take to stop ISI activities in Bihar ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SYEED) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government are aware that Pak ISI have been using Nepal as a base for contacting Kashmiri and Sikh militants. These elements have been using Bihar to enter Nepal to evade arrests.

(c) Police stations, outposts and immigration checkposts on Indo-Nepal border have been alerted to keep strict vigil. Border Security and Policing have also been tightened all along the border.

Smuggling of Arms ammunitions by ISI

4729. SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDE :

SHRI SUNDER SINGH BHANDARI :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in the Hindustan Times dated the 2nd April, 1994 under the caption "ISI behind smuggled arms" stating that large quantity of arms and ammunitions are being smuggled into the country from Pakistan ;

(b) whether it is a fact that huge quantity of ammunitions were seized in Kandla Port if so, what are the details there—indicating the arrests made thereon ; and

(c) what steps Government of India are taken to curb the ISI activities in the country and also to prevent smuggling of weapons ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is not true that huge quantity of ammunition was seized from Kandla Port. What was seized by the Customs was scrap materials of used catridges brought from Kuwait. Preliminary investigations